

The Texas Board of Professional Engineers' (TBPE) Board e-Newsletter June 4, 2015

The TBPE eNewsletter is your quarterly update about your Texas PE License and Board activities and is a supplement to the TBPE Express annual printed newsletter.

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Board Meeting Update

The Texas Board of Professional Engineers Quarterly Board and Committee Meetings were held May 20-21, 2015. Highlights include the following:

- **Disciplinary Actions** All enforcement actions approved in the board meeting are posted on the TBPE website. Enforcement actions are reported based on the date of the board meeting at which the actions were taken. Refer to: http://engineers.texas.gov/disciplinary.htm
- Video Clips Streaming video of the Board Meeting is available
 at https://engineers.texas.gov/recordings.htm Viewing these recordings qualifies
 for continuing education credit under the category of self-directed study. A
 maximum of five credit hours may be accrued for self-directed study.
- On-Farm Energy Audits Policy Advisory Opinion Request
 The Policy Advisory Opinion Committee of the Texas Board of Professional
 Engineers has accepted a request for an official opinion regarding "On-Farm Energy
 Audits". (PAO # 39). The request is posted at the Board's website:
 http://engineers.texas.gov/policy.htm#pao39

As part of the policy advisory process, the TBPE is developing a list of stakeholders and other interested parties. If you would like to be part of the policy advisory process or would like to be included in communications on this issue, please provide name, address, phone number and email address to the Board at: TBPE, 1917 S Interstate 35, Austin, TX 78741 or email to pao@engineers.texas.gov. The deadline has been extended to June 12, 2015.

84th Legislative Session

With the 84th Legislative Session complete, TBPE has compiled a list of bills related to Professional Engineering on this page http://engineers.texas.gov/legislature84.html.

Webinars and Outreach

TBPE continues to offer ethics outreach presentations both in person and in a webinar format for the convenience of our licensees. The free webinars have been so well received that we are now adding additional events as needed.

• **Online Ethics Webinars:** The next ethics webinars are scheduled for September 2, 2015. Each event is limited to 1,000 attendees. Registration links for all webinars are posted at: http://engineers.texas.gov/webinar one month prior to each event.

Schedule a TBPE Presentation: If you are interested in scheduling a live TBPE ethics presentation at your workplace, refer to our outreach page at:
 http://engineers.texas.gov/outreach.html

New TBPE Flyers

TBPE has developed several high quality informational flyers to educate the public regarding the mission of the Board, the Professional Services Procurement Act (PSPA), when an engineer is needed on a project, how to become licensed and the benefits of licensure. Feel free to share or print these flyers. Professionally printed copies are available in limited quantities upon request. http://engineers.texas.gov/publications.html

And more:

Give us feedback on how we are doing by filling out our customer service survey. Please visit our website at http://engineers.texas.gov/feedback or call us for a paper survey. We want to hear your suggestions on how we can improve agency operations and service delivery.

In keeping with our efforts to modernize and increase communication with our licensees and the public, you can now follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, <u>LinkedIn</u> and via an RSS feed. Join today!

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